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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 1, 2008, the three month response date of January 1, 2009 being extended to the next business day of January 2, 2009, please consider the amendments and remarks below, which are contemporaneously filed with a Request For Continued Examination, and accordingly reconsider and reexamine the present claims of the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.